

7 December 1955

Memorandum for: Deputy Director/Support

Subject: Building Appropriation.

1. I refer to your memorandum of 3 December on the above subject, and to our later telephone conversation.

2. I have talked to Mr. William McCandless, Assistant Director of the Bureau of the Budget for Budget Review, and a number of his legislative experts on the problem of submitting our appropriation request for the building as an Independent Offices item. Mr. McCandless tells me that every year a number of items are submitted to the Congress in the Independent Offices chapter of the Budget, which are referred to other appropriations subcommittees for action. He listed enough examples of this to convince me that this was standard practice, although last year at least there were no Independent Offices items referred to the Armed Services Subcommittee. He assures me that this was simply due to the fact that none of the items were susceptible to such a referral.

3. In summary, Mr. McCandless sees no problem in having our appropriation request referred to the Armed Services Subcommittee. Although he believes this would happen as a matter of course, he intends to check with the Committee staff on the matter before the appropriation request actually goes forward. After having reviewed this matter with Mr. McCandless, I would not recommend that the Director be requested to try to change the arrangement which he has already agreed to. I do feel, however, and will regard it as my responsibility, in cooperation with your office, to see to it that the Committee staffs are kept on notice of this problem, and that Chairman Cannon is contacted directly in the matter. (The Director himself should probably do this).

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